

**REMARKS**

***Status of Claims***

Claims 13-18 have been canceled.

New claims 19-26 have been added.

Thus, claims 1-12 and 19-26 are currently pending in this application.

**CONCLUSION**

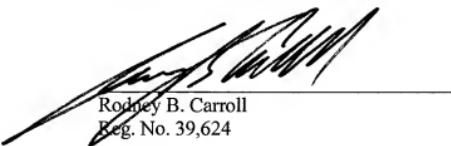
Applicants respectfully look forward to the Examiner's substantive action on these claims. If the Examiner believes it would assist in expediting the application, Applicants welcome a telephone conference with the Examiner to improve understanding of and resolve any questions or issues of the Examiner.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee connected with this communication to Deposit Account No. 50-1515, Conley Rose, P.C.

Respectfully submitted,

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